UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA * CRIMINAL NO. 12-317

VERSUS * SECTION: "G"

RONALD BREAUX *

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FACTUAL BASIS

The defendant, **RONALD BREAUX** (hereinafter, the "defendant" or "**BREAUX**"), has agreed to plead guilty to Count 2 of the Superseding Indictment pending against him, charging him with distribution of child pornography, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252(a)(2). Should this matter proceed to trial, both the Government and the defendant, **RONALD BREAUX**, do hereby stipulate and agree that the following facts set forth a sufficient factual basis for the crimes to which the defendant is pleading guilty. The Government and the defendant further stipulate that the Government would have proven, through the introduction of competent testimony and admissible, tangible exhibits, the following facts, beyond a reasonable doubt, to support the allegations in the Superseding Indictment now pending against the defendant:

The Government would show that, at all times mentioned in the Superseding Indictment,

the defendant, **RONALD BREAUX**, was a resident of the Eastern District of Louisiana and lived in Raceland, Louisiana.

The Government would further present competent testimony and evidence that Investigators from the State of Louisiana Department of Justice - Office of the Attorney General determined that **BREAUX** was downloading and sharing images depicting the sexual exploitation of children ("child pornography") through the use of various peer-to-peer file sharing software. On September 25, 2012, law enforcement officials executed a search warrant, based on probable cause, at **BREAUX'S** residence. Investigator Lisa Koprowski would testify that they recovered two computers and five external devices that were determined to contain images and videos of child pornography during the execution of the search warrant.

The Government would further establish through testimony and forensic computer evidence that **BREAUX** knowingly used the computers and external hard drives to search for, download, and save images and videos of child pornography. Further, the evidence and testimony would establish that a computer forensic search of **BREAUX'S** seized computers and related evidence revealed 1,485 images and 479 videos depicting the sexual victimization of children.

Further, the Government would establish, through introducing the results of the computer forensic search, that **BREAUX** used versions of the peer-to-peer file sharing programs Limewire and Frostwire to download and distribute child pornography. The Government would also establish that **BREAUX** typed a series of search terms to look for child pornography, including "pthc," "brutal," and "kiddy." **BREAUX** then stored the images in a series of folders he created including folders entitled "incest," "young," "crime," and "Ronnie."

Investigator Koprowski would testify that on about August 14, 2012, **BREAUX** distributed, by making publicly available in the shared folder of his peer-to-peer program, a video depicting the sexual vicitmization of children. Specifically, **BREAUX** distributed the video entitled "(pthc frifam lolifuck) 8yo sucks cock and gets a facial - New 2012.avi," which depicted a real, prepubescent minor, approximately eight (8) years-old performing oral sex on an adult male.

Forensic evidence consisting of medical testimony, law enforcement officers, and supporting documentation would establish that some of the child victims depicted in the images and videos of **BREAUX'S** were of real, identifiable victims, less than the age of eighteen (18) years old, and as young as approximately eighteen (18)-months-old at the time the child pornography was created. The testimony would further establish that the videos and images of the child victims depicted them engaging in "sexually explicit conduct," as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 2256.

Further, the Government would present evidence that would establish that the images of child pornography had been transported in interstate commerce via computer.

Further, the Government would show through testimony and documentary evidence that the equipment used by the defendant to acquire the child pornography was transported in interstate or foreign commerce.

The above facts come from an investigation conducted by, and would be proven at trial by credible testimony from, the Special Investigators and forensic examiners from the State of

Louisiana Department of Justice - Office of the Attorney General, other witnesses, documents and electronic devices in the possession of the State of Louisiana - Office of the Attorney General.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED:

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